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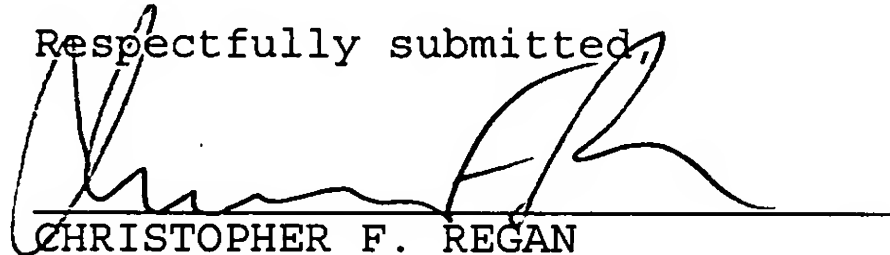
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REMARKS

It is believed that all of the claims are patentable over the prior art. Accordingly, a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested in due course. Should the Examiner determine any minor informalities that need to be addressed, he is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number below.

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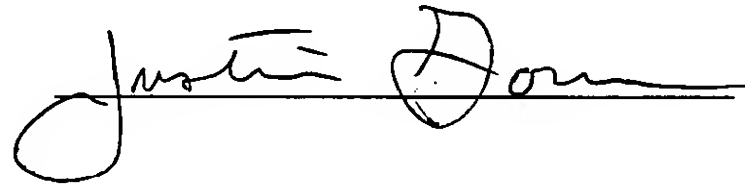
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